



Maritime Heritage Working Group

Meeting Minutes

Date: 08/08/2011

Start Time: 3:00 PM

End Time: 4:00 PM

Meeting Method: Conference call

Attendance: Leader: Teri Leicher; Hans Van Tilburg, Elia Herman, Sarah Courbis, Dick Gould, Rick Rogers, Cindi Punihaole, Erik Stein

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Meeting Objective: Continue discussion of maritime heritage resources: review draft working group recommendations document.

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- **Maritime heritage resource (intro) comments:** change “discovered” to “located.” Also, italicize “maritime heritage resources” as it is a specific term used throughout the document.
- **Threat to resource comments:** list the legal mandates as the “most relevant,” and delete “etc.” Add links to the URLs for these references in a footnote or in a bibliography to the document. Consider providing as full list of heritage preservation laws in an appendix. The recommended maritime heritage preservation effort really should be a more unified or holistic approach than previous scattered pieces of legislation. Delete “vandalism” and change to “intentional and inadvertent damage” as more comprehensive.
- **Charge to working group comments:** OK (fine as is)
- **General statement comments:** OK (fine as is)
- **Specific recommendations for inventory comments:** There should be a process already in place to deal with Native Hawaiian resources which might be encountered during maritime heritage work...rather than improvising after the fact. A contact list should be established with the appropriate working group or advisory council, and State Historic Preservation Division should be a part of this. This is particularly important for sensitive pre-historic archaeological finds. Highlight sensitivity to cultural resources and respect for best practices. Chair of Maritime Heritage Working Group should perhaps sit in on Native Hawaiian Working Group meetings. Also, spell out obscure acronyms within the document.



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- **Specific recommendations for outreach and education comments:** OK (fine as is)
- **Specific recommendations for resource protection comments:** add “same legal status” to sentence on “same level of protection.” This is a most critical recommendation, perhaps not made in other preservation efforts anywhere else. (Part of the “unified approach” identified above in Threat to Resources?) Main idea: heritage objects should be protected and valued whether on land or underwater.

Action Items:

- Revisions to this draft recommendations document will be made and circulated a final time to the working group for any further comments.
- Draft will be presented during the SAC executive committee meeting on August 11.

Next meeting: MHWG on standby until notified by the Chair